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## ***PRESIDENT: RICHARD COMMESSO, 76***



Retired NYPD detective, loving husband, father and grandfather

Richie Commesso was born June 23, 1943, in Manhattan. Passed away April 29, 2020, due to complications from COVID-19.

He married his high school sweetheart, Irene Commesso (Dahlman), in 1965. Together they raised two devoted daughters, Debbie (Jesse) and Susan (Kevin). His grandchildren, Olivia, Jesse Lynn, Michael and Christopher were his pride and joy. He is survived by his sister, Joyce Haughom and brother, John.

Richie proudly joined the New York Police Department in 1965 and was promoted to detective in 1978. He received the Medal of Valor and the Combat Medal. After retirement, he continued to work at various insurance and security companies as an investigator and consultant. He was the current President of the Verrazano Chapter of the 10-13 Association, a non-profit organization that works on behalf of active and retired members of the NYPD.

Richie was very involved in sports in the Staten Island community for over 40 years. He coached, umpired and refereed for SILL Girls Division, SILL Boys and OLQP CYO basketball league. His experience and expertise led him to officiate at numerous basketball games rising all the way to the NCAA level. He continued to umpire men's softball until last summer at 75 years old. He loved to golf, was a member of the Early Bird Golf Club and an Ambassador at South Shore Golf Course. Richie truly enjoyed watching his grandchildren participate in any sporting event, always supporting them and cheering them on. He enjoyed many vacations with his wife and their best friends.

Donations in his memory can be made to the NYC Verrazano 10-13 Association, P.O. Box 061735 Staten Island, NY 10306.



## **VICE PRESIDENT'S LINES - Joseph Molloy**

### **TAKE A KNEE...**

#### **A POWERFUL PIECE WRITTEN BY TED NUGENT**

Take a little trip to Valley Forge in January. Hold a musket ball in your fingers and imagine it piercing your flesh and breaking a bone or two. There won't be a doctor or trainer to assist you until after the battle, so just wait your turn. Take your cleats and socks off to get a real experience.

Then, take a knee on the beach in Normandy where man after American man stormed the beach, even as the one in front of him was shot to pieces, the very sea stained with American blood.

The only blockers most had were the dead bodies in front of them, riddled with bullets from enemy fire.

Take a knee in the sweat-soaked jungles of Vietnam. From Khe Sanh to Saigon, anywhere will do. Americans died in all those jungles. There was no Playbook that told them what was next, but they knew what flag they represented. When they came home, they were protested as well, and spit on for reasons only cowards know.

Take another knee in the blood-drenched sands of Fallujah in 110-degree heat. Wear your Kevlar helmet and battle dress. Your number won't be printed on it unless your number is up! You'll need to stay hydrated but there won't be anyone to squirt Gatorade into your mouth. You're on your own.

There are a lot of places to take a knee where Americans have given their lives all over the world. When you use the banner under which they fought... As a source for your displeasure, you dishonor the memories of those who bled for the very freedoms you have. That's what the red stripes mean. It represents the blood of those who spilled a sea of it defending your liberty.

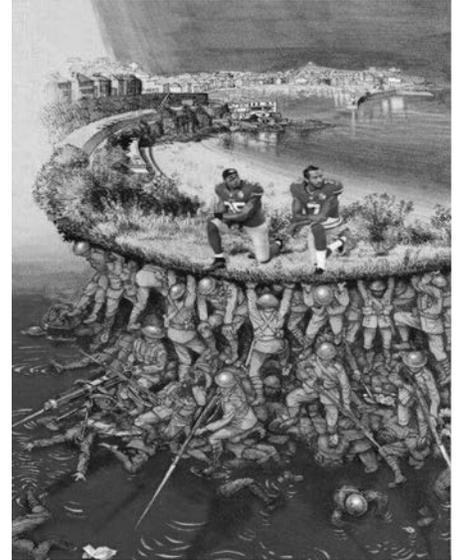
While you're on your knee, pray for those that came before you, not on a manicured lawn striped and printed with numbers to announce every inch of ground taken, but on nameless hills and bloodied beaches and sweltering forests and bitter cold mountains, every inch marked by an American life lost serving that flag you protest.

No cheerleaders, no announcers, no coaches, no fans, just American men and women, delivering the real fight against those who chose to harm us, blazing a path so you would have the right to "take a knee." You haven't any inkling of what it took to get you where you are, but your "protest" is duly noted. Not only is it disgraceful to a nation of real heroes, it serves the purpose of pointing to your ingratitude for those who chose to defend you under that banner that will still wave long after your jersey is retired.

If you really feel the need to take a knee, come with me to church on Sunday and we'll both kneel before Almighty God. We'll thank Him for preserving this country for as long as He has. We'll beg forgiveness for our ingratitude for all He has provided us. We'll appeal to Him for understanding and wisdom. We'll pray for liberty and justice for all, because He is the one who provides those things. But there will be no protest.

There will only be gratitude for His provision and a plea for His continued grace and mercy on the land of the free and the home of the brave.

**It goes like this, *GOD BLESS AMERICA!!!***





### **TREASURER'S LINES - Christopher J. Piazza**

I would like to extend my condolences and deepest sympathies on the passing of Richard Comesso to his loving wife Irene, his daughters Sue and Debbie and the entire Comesso family. Since the time of me accepting the Treasurer position, I recognized that he had bigger plans for me in our Association. I am grateful for that trust and confidence he had in me. I hope I can make him proud and make sure his legacy is properly honored. I looked up to him as a mentor with plenty of life and NYPD experience. I will miss his stories and his sense of humor. May he rest in peace.

**Coronavirus: Latest News, Restricted States** Based upon Governor Cuomo's Executive Order 205, issued June 25, 2020, the following states meet the criteria for required quarantine:

- |              |            |               |                  |             |
|--------------|------------|---------------|------------------|-------------|
| • Alabama    | • Delaware | • Idaho       | • North Carolina | • Tennessee |
| • Arkansas   | • Florida  | • Kansas      | • Nevada         | • Texas     |
| • Arizona    | • Georgia  | • Louisiana   | • Oklahoma       | • Utah      |
| • California | • Iowa     | • Mississippi | • South Carolina |             |

This is based upon a seven-day rolling average, of positive tests in excess of 10%, or number of positive cases exceeding 10 per 100,000 residents.

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### **RECORDING SECRETARY'S LINES - Paul Gallo**

At the last board meeting the board decided to postpone the Atlantic City bus trip. This was at the outbreak of the virus. Better to be safe, than put our members at risk. We were proactive and our decision was at the time correct. We had no idea of the magnitude of this virus. When and only when everything (virus) has past, we will resume our activities. So, until then let's keep our brother officers on the front lines in our prayers. Wishing you and your families the best, keep safe until we meet again. The board will need positions filled in December, this does not require a lot of work and new ideas are always encouraged.

#### **NYPD Pistol License Renewal**

It seems more and more members are having difficulty renewing their pistol license, this is the dedicated hot line to **Pistol License Section** for retired members to the Sgt desk for help.

**646-610-6558**

#### **Colonial Rifle & Pistol Club**

For \$40.00 Bernie (347-552-0903) will do your Pistol License Renewal for you. Takes about 30 minutes!!!

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***Pass this on to family & friends***

### **DEATH OF A RETIRED MEMBER - NOTIFICATION TO NYPD**

***Immediately notify the NYPD Operations Unit at 646-610-5580***

***Inform them that you are calling to report the death of a retired police officer and are requesting Pallbearers for his funeral.***

Give the NYPD Operations Unit the following information:

Name & Rank

Name & Address of Funeral Home

Tax Registry No.

Date & Times of viewing

Social Security No.

Name & Address of Church

Date appointed

Time of Funeral Mass: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Retired

Name of cemetery

Last Command

Next of kin

Organizations

NOTE: Request NYPD Flag for casket & Pallbearers

Date of Death \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Notify the appropriate union



## **CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S LINES - Vincent Montagna**



April Fool's Day brought some not so funny circumstances. When shopping at Super Markets you will be paying \$00.05, five cents for every plastic bag you receive with your groceries. I don't know what the nickel will do to help the sea Gulls getting tied up in the bag. And who gets the nickel. So, I suggest bringing a box or two with you just like Costco and BJ's.

Our Illustrious Mayor, Da Blazz, at the onset of the Chineez Virus, said "if you don't feel any symptoms go out and enjoy life". He went to his gym in Park Slope. His Health Commissioner said, "by all means everyone should go to the St Patrick's Day Parade." His Bd of Education CZAR said, "leave the schools open". Well guess what! With these decisions NYC has become the Epicenter of this Chineez Virus. It is now expected that 50% of the City will be affected. Currently the Department "ORDERED" some units to "STAY HOME" work from home do not report to work.

If you can't get Clorox for disinfectant use Alcohol. I have since finished one bottle of Johnny Walker, Platinum, and half a bottle of B & B (Benedictine and Brandy). Now.... "Take my wife... Please!" What Jewish Comedian used that line in the 1960's up in the Jewish Alps? She Finished one bottle of Grey Goose Vodka, and is into a bottle of Purity Vodka, and halfway thru a bottle of Vermouth for her Martinis,

At a recent Board of Director's meeting I proposed our Association donate annually One Thousand thirteen Dollars (\$1013.00) to the "Tunnel to the Towers" Foundation. The Board approved. I further presented it to the membership and was unanimously supported. Due to our cancellation of the March meeting the presentation of this donation will be postponed until our October meeting.

## **A Reflection of my Friendship with Richie Comesso**

Richie and I met in our Grammar School Days. The 1950's. We played Little League Baseball and Babe Ruth League Baseball together. We played All-Star Ball with the SIBRL up in Syracuse NY. Our Fathers were instrumental in starting the original Staten Island Babe Ruth League. Our Parents vacationed together in the Catskills. Richie met Irene when they were 15 years old. We went Horseback riding together. We bought our first new cars around the same time. He bought his Burgundy Red 1962 Chevy. "3 on the tree". I bought my 1964 Pontiac. We met a fellow from "the other side of the Island" He had a unique Name. "Harpo". We went into the Police Department around the same Time. Richie wasn't one to stay at entry level. He got made and retired a Detective. He attended my wedding on **April 29, 1967**. Fast forward. He joined the Verrazano 10-13 Association. Again, not being one to stay at entry level he got on the Board of Directors, then became President for a ton of years till present. He asked me to become his Corresponding Secretary. He came to my 50th Wedding Anniversary Party on **April 29, 2017**. Sadly, Richie passed away on **April 29, 2020**.



*Rest in Peace, My Friend, Rest in Peace.*



### **SGT. AT ARMS - Jack Hellman**

Well my friends, a lot of water has past under the proverbial bridge since we last met and communicated in the last newsletter. Our world has completely been turned upside-down by this killer (CHINA) Virus. I'm sure everyone has been affected in some way. I personally lost one of my best friends and past president of our organization Richard Comnesso. As anyone who knew or had any dealings with him would say he was a fine gentleman and good human being. I was very close to him and rarely did he have anything bad to say about anyone, with the exception of our mayor and governor.

Richie truly was the glue that held our organization together.

Before he was struck with the virus, I asked him if we could show our local precincts support by donating some food. He wholeheartedly approved the idea and with the approval of are Board of Directors we made arrangements with John's Catering for delivery to each Precinct on Staten Island. This show of support was so successful and appreciated, we will be repeating this in Richie's name.

Our Annual Golf Outings will be held in Richard Comnesso's honor on September 25, 2020.

Please help us make this outing a success by attending, sponsoring a hole or buying a 50/50.

Henceforth a scholarship In Richies name will be created, the winner to be picked at our Christmas Luncheon.



I end this novel with a heavy heart saying goodbye to my pal, may he rest in peace.

PS: Anyone interested in running for office on our Board of Directors have until October to submit your name to me. Elections are held this November.



### **TRUSTEE - Paul Ferrigno**

With the sudden and unexpected passing of our association president and dear friend, Richie Comnesso, I know he will be sorely missed by all who knew him. Richie was the backbone of our organization and he presided over it with dignity and integrity.

With Richie's passing, Joe Molloy has assumed the duties and responsibilities for the remainder of his term. Knowing Joe for more than 50 years, I'm sure he has the intellectual capacity and integrity to continue in the same manner.

In November, elections will be held for a number of positions on the board, including the Presidency and Vice Presidency.

In the meanwhile, I ask that we all keep Richie and his family in our prayers.

On another note, please remember that most members of our association are in the age category where we are the most vulnerable to the Covid-19 (CHINA) Coronavirus.

With that in mind, I urge all to continue to do everything possible to protect yourselves and your families. We're not out of the woods yet. Don't take any unnecessary chances thinking that this cannot or will not affect you.

Please follow every precaution. When going outdoors, make sure to wear a mask and practice social distancing. Handle as little as possible. Wash your hands with soap and warm water for a minimum of 20 seconds, especially after handling anything that comes from outside your home, including mail, newspapers, etc. I think you all know the drill by now. The main thing is that you practice it at all times.

We hope and pray this will pass in the not too distant future and then we can reflect and appreciate all the things we have taken for granted, like a simple handshake and a hug from a loved one.

May God Bless and Keep Us All in His CARE



**TRUSTEE - Carlo Imperato**

**Actors & Actresses**

Jane Fonda, Bette Midler, Robert DiNiro, Meryll Streep, George Clooney, Barbara Striesand, Madonna, Johnny Depp, Alec Baldwin, Ashley Judd, Samuel L. Jackson, Alyssa Milano, Ben Stiller, Rob Reiner, Michael Moore, Amy Schummer, Cher, John Legend, Joy Behar, Whoopie Goldberg, Stephen King

**News Reporters**

Chris Matthews, Chris Cuomo, Rachel Maddow, Joe Scarborough, Jack Tapper, David Axelrod, Wolf Blitzer, Anderson Cooper, Van Jones, Don Lemon, Jim Acosta, Brian Williams, Dan Rather, George Stephanopoulos, Chuck Todd, Bob Woodward, Juan Williams, Brian Stelter

**Politicians**

Andrew Cuomo, Bill deBlasio, Nancy Pelosi, Chuck Schumer, Jerry Nadler, Adam Schiff, Mitt Romney, Bernie Sanders, Joe Biden, Cory Booker, Elizabeth Warren, Amy Klobuchar, Kamala Harris, Fareed Zakaria, Ocasio Cortez, Robert Mendez, James Clapper, John Brennan, James Comey, Mike Bloomberg, Ilhan Omar, John Kerry, Rashida Tlaib, Tom Perez, Barack Obama, Hillary Clinton, Bill Clinton, Loretta Lynch, Pete Buttigieg, Beto O'Rourke, Sidney Blumenthal, Robert Mueller

**In My Opinion:**

**The Enemies of President Trump are The Enemies of The People.**

**COLA Benefit Payments for September 2020 Thru August 2021 is 1%**

As a result, an eligible retired member with a maximum retirement benefit of \$18,000 or more will receive a maximum increase of \$15 per month beginning with the September 2020 payment. (Eligible members receiving a maximum retirement benefit under \$18,000 will receive a lesser monthly increase.)

This latest COLA brings the cumulative maximum monthly increase since COLA legislation was enacted in 2001 to \$378 (see chart below).

New York's permanent, automatic COLA is designed to help offset inflation's adverse effects on the fixed retirement benefits of the state's public retirees. By law, the COLA can be no less than 1% and no more than 3% annually and is applied only to the first \$18,000 of the retirement benefit. The COLA percentage is calculated by taking 50% of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) increase from one March to the next and rounding up to the nearest tenth. The CPI increased 1.54% from March 2019 to March 2020.

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**COLA Eligibility**

To be eligible for a COLA, you must either be:

- At least age 62 and retired at least five years; or,
- At least age 55 and retired at least 10 years; or,
- A retiree receiving a disability benefit for at least five years (regardless of age); or,
- A surviving spouse of an eligible retiree receiving a lifetime benefit. (By law, the spouse receives an increase equal to one-half the COLA the retiree would have received.)

Retirees who become eligible for the COLA after September will receive their adjustment when first eligible.

COLA Percentages and Maximum Increases

COLA Effective Date	CPI Increase	COLA	Maximum Monthly Increase*
Sep-20	1.54%	1.00%	\$15.00
Sep-19	1.86%	1.00%	\$15.00
Sep-18	2.36%	1.20%	\$18.00
Sep-17	2.38%	1.20%	\$18.00
Sep-16	0.85%	1.00%	\$15.00
Sep-15	-0.07%	1.00%	\$15.00
Sep-14	1.51%	1.00%	\$15.00
Sep-13	1.47%	1.00%	\$15.00
Sep-12	2.65%	1.40%	\$21.00
Sep-11	2.68%	1.40%	\$21.00
Sep-10	2.31%	1.20%	\$18.00
Sep-09	-0.38%	1.00%	\$15.00
Sep-08	3.98%	2.00%	\$30.00
Sep-07	2.78%	1.40%	\$21.00
Sep-06	3.36%	1.70%	\$25.50
Sep-05	3.15%	1.60%	\$24.00
Sep-04	1.74%	1.00%	\$15.00
Sep-03	3.02%	1.60%	\$24.00
Sep-02	1.48%	1.00%	\$15.00
Sep-01	2.92%	1.50%	\$22.50

\*Maximum monthly increase for eligible retirees with a maximum retirement benefit of \$18,000. Retirees receiving a maximum retirement benefit less than \$18,000 received a lesser monthly increase.



## **TRUSTEE - William “Harpo” Silvestri**

**Let me begin by conveying my condolences and deep sympathies to Richie Commesso’s wife Irene and family. I’ve known Richie for as long as I can remember. He was a good friend and I will miss him dearly.**

*Hope this finds you all doing well - With all the information out there regarding the Coronavirus, I attempted to find something that is somewhat basic and easy to follow. Here it is. Have faith and we will beat this thing.*

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON THE VIRUS FROM JOHNS HOPKINS HOSPITAL**

The following is from Irene Ken physician, whose daughter is an Asst. Prof in infectious diseases at Johns Hopkins University, quite informative.

- The virus is not a living organism, but a protein molecule (DNA) covered by a protective layer of lipid (fat), which, when absorbed by the cells of the ocular, nasal or buccal mucosa, changes their genetic code (mutation) and converts them into aggressor and multiplier cells.
- Since the virus is not a living organism but a protein molecule, it is not killed, but decays on its own. The disintegration time depends on the temperature, humidity and type of material where it lies.
- The virus is very fragile; the only thing that protects it is a thin outer layer of fat. That is why any soap or detergent is the best remedy, because the foam CUTS the FAT (that is why you have to rub so much: for 20 seconds or more, to make a lot of foam). By dissolving the fat layer, the protein molecule disperses and breaks down on its own.
- HEAT melts fat; this is why it is so good to use water above 25 degrees Celsius for washing hands, clothes and everything. In addition, hot water makes more foam and that makes it even more useful.
- Alcohol or any mixture with alcohol over 65% DISSOLVES ANY FAT, especially the external lipid layer of the virus.
- Any mix with 1-part bleach and 5 parts water directly dissolves the protein, breaks it down from the inside.
- Oxygenated water helps long after soap, alcohol and chlorine, because peroxide dissolves the virus protein, but you have to use it pure and it hurts your skin.
- NO BACTERICIDE OR ANTIBIOTIC SERVES. The virus is not a living organism like bacteria; antibodies cannot kill what is not alive.
- NEVER shake used or unused clothing, sheets or cloth. While it is glued to a porous surface, it is very inert and disintegrates only:
  - between 3 hours (fabric and porous),
  - 4 hours (copper and wood)
  - 24 hours (cardboard),
  - 42 hours (metal) and
  - 72 hours (plastic).

But if you shake it or use a feather duster, the virus molecules float in the air for up to 3 hours and can lodge in your nose.

- The virus molecules remain very stable in external cold, or artificial as air conditioners in houses and cars. They also need moisture to stay stable, and especially darkness. Therefore, dehumidified, dry, warm and bright environments will degrade it faster.
  - UV LIGHT on any object that may contain it breaks down the virus protein. For example, to disinfect and reuse a mask is perfect. Be careful, it also breaks down collagen (which is protein) in the skin.
  - The virus CANNOT go through healthy skin.
  - Vinegar is NOT useful because it does not break down the protective layer of fat.
  - NO SPIRITS, NOR VODKA, serve. The strongest vodka is 40% alcohol, and you need 65%.
  - LISTERINE IF IT SERVES! It is 65% alcohol.
  - The more confined the space, the more concentration of the virus there can be. The more open or naturally ventilated, the less.
  - You have to wash your hands before and after touching mucosa, food, locks, knobs, switches, remote control, cell phone, watches, computers, desks, TV, etc. And when using the bathroom.
  - You have to HUMIDIFY HANDS DRY from so much washing them, because the molecules can hide in the micro cracks. The thicker the moisturizer, the better.
  - Also keep your NAILS SHORT so that the virus does not hide there.
- JOHNS HOPKINS HOSPITAL

# NYCPD VERRAZANO 10-13 ASSOCIATION



**19<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GOLF OUTING  
BUNKER HILL GOLF COURSE  
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2020**



**CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST  
9:00 AM SHOT GUN START - GOLF CART  
SLEEVE OF BALLS - WATER – 10-13 SOUVENIR  
BARBECUE AT THE 19<sup>TH</sup> HOLE WITH COOL REFRESHMENTS  
50/50 – RAFFLES WITH GREAT PRIZES**

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Golf Fee: \$125.00 - Sponsor a Hole or Tee: \$100.00 - Donate: Gift Items or Gift Certificates

**Chairman Jack Hellman 646 752-6148**

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\*\*\*\*\*RAIN OR SHINE\*\*\*\*\*

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BARBECUE AT THE 19<sup>th</sup> HOLE WITH COOL REFRESHMENTS - 50/50 – RAFFLES WITH GREAT PRIZES

Enter the "HOLE IN ONE" COMPETITION, at the 6<sup>th</sup> hole, and you can drive away with a free two year lease on a 2020 Ford from DANA LINCOLN FORD

### GOLFERS' REGISTRARTION INFORMATION

Golfer Registration fee \$125.00 pp, due on or before August 15th. Late registration or on the day of the event: \$150.00  
No refunds for no shows or after August 15<sup>th</sup>

PLAYER #1

PLAYER #2

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

PLAYER # 3

PLAYER # 4

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City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
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### BARBEQUE ONLY

The fee is \$35.00 pp

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Mail Golfers' and/or BBQ Registration form along with payment to:

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# NYCPD VERRAZANO 10-13 ASSOCIATION



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**Mail ticket & donation to:** The NYC Verrazano 10-13 Association, PO Box 061-725, Staten Island, NY 10306

## **Verrazano 10-13 Association donates boxed lunches to Staten Island's Police Precincts**



From left, NYPD Inspector Thomas Delahanty and NYPD Capt. Timothy Wilson, commander of the 121st Police Precinct. Above left is Evan of John's Catering.

The Verrazano 10-13 Association, a charitable organization composed of more than 300 retired members of all ranks in our city's Police Department, is part of a nationwide organization with chapters throughout the country. But each chapter shares a common denominator: They devote their time, energy and finances to support retired, active police officers and slain police officers and their families in times of stress and emotional need. "This the least we can do during these times for our brothers and sisters in blue who must not only patrol our neighborhoods in an effort to keep us safe, but also respond to the needs of the sick and possibly expose themselves and contract this deadly virus. We owe them a debt of gratitude."

The Verrazano 10-13 Association donated and distributed over 150 boxed lunches by John's Catering to the 120, 121, 122, and 123 Police Precincts on Staten Island.

An annual donation will also be directed to The Stephen Siller Tunnel to the Towers Foundation, an organization founded in memory of the late firefighter, Stephen Siller, who lost his life on Sept. 11, 2001. The Siller foundation eliminates mortgages and/or purchases homes for families of first responders and members of the United States military, who are incapacitated.

**Plans are in the works for another delivery of box lunches to all the Precincts on Staten Island in July.**

**\*\*\*\*\*BACK THE BLUE\*\*\*\*\***

The NYCPD Verrazano 10-13  
Memorial High School & College  
2020-2021 Scholarship Award Application

APPLICATION

Extra Copies of the application may be obtained at our website VZ1013.com or it can be duplicated (see below).  
Non-conforming applications will be discarded

SPONSOR

Applicants must be sponsored by a member of Verrazano 10-13 Association in good standing for the past two (2) years. A sponsor may submit multiple applications for different children. However, a sponsor is limited to only one scholarship award every two (2) consecutive yearly drawings.

ELIGIBILITY

A son, daughter or grandchild of a member is eligible for a scholarship and must be attending or enrolled in a College or University on a full-time basis (taking at least 12 credits) for the 2020-2021 school year. Each child can only win once, but a member can sponsor another child after waiting (2) years. ONLY ONE ENTRY PER APPLICANT IS PERMITTED. If more than one application is received for the same applicant, all but one application will be discarded.

VERIFICATION OF ATTENDANCE

Applicants must be attending the education facility during the application year. Proof of enrollment must accompany the application

NUMBER OF SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

For the 2020-2021 school year, a \$1000 College Scholarship In Memory of President Richard Comnesso and two (2) \$500.00 College Scholarships will be awarded also one (1) High School for \$500.00 will be awarded.

SCHOLARSHIP DRAWINGS

Drawings will be on a lottery basis in order to give each applicant an equal chance for selection. Scholarship awards will be drawn at the Verrazano 10-13 Christmas Luncheon in December (Alternate drawing date is the January General Meeting). All applications must be received prior to the drawing date. NO APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED ON THE DAY OF THE DRAWING.

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NYCPD VERRAZANO 10-13 ASSOCIATION – 2020--2021 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



(PLEASE PRINT)



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MAIL APPLICATION TO: NYCPD Verrazano 1013 Association, Scholarship Committee, PO Box 061725, Staten Island, NY 10306

# the PBA BEAT

POLICE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, INC.  
MONTHLY UNION NEWS UPDATE



www.nycpba.org

Patrick J. Lynch, President

## POLICING IN THE NEW REGIME

**O**ur job has changed radically in just the past few weeks. With the slew of policing bills recently passed in the City Council and State Legislature, and the further administrative changes directed by Mayor de Blasio and the NYPD's leadership, the elected leaders of this city and state have spoken: they want an entirely different type of policing and an entirely different standard of public safety.

They have chosen this approach. They will be responsible for the success or failure. Our job as police officers is simply to carry out their directives – and yet we have received **no guidance** and **no training** on how we are expected to do our job in this new environment. The PBA met once again with the Department –

this time with all of the police unions — to demand the following:

1. The City must provide police officers with its legal interpretation of each piece of legislation, along with clear guidance on how police officers should comply with them. Of particular concern is City Council Intro 536-B, which creates a misdemeanor crime for the use of certain types of force (e.g., sitting, kneeling or standing on the chest or back) while effecting an arrest, and;
2. The Department must immediately provide a real, robust and intensive training program to teach police officers how they can safely use physical force to take a resisting suspect into custody under the new legal regime.

We are now awaiting the Department's response to these demands. Until such guidance and training is received, the PBA believes that the most prudent course of action for police officers is to refrain from arresting a subject who is not voluntarily complying with police officers' directives. Instead, call in a supervisor and the Emergency Services Unit to safely effect the arrest. By proceeding to arrest a resisting individual on your own, in the absence of the NYPD's legal guidance or training, you are jeopardizing your job and risking criminal prosecution.

The PBA will encourage and support members who follow the prudent course of action described above. We will update membership on developments in this situation as information becomes available. ■

## PROTECT YOURSELF — KNOW THE NEW LAWS

*It's crucial for all members to be aware of legislation recently passed by the City Council and the State Legislature. These bills were passed without any input from the police officers they affect, and their combined impact will be to expose police officers to greater legal liability for simply doing our jobs. The PBA is reviewing all available options to protect our members' safety and rights going forward. In the meantime, see a basic summary of the most significant enacted legislation:*

### SUMMARY OF NEW YORK CITY ANTI-POLICING LAWS

#### "Chokehold" Ban (City Version)

- This bill establishes a misdemeanor offense under the city's Administrative Code for:
  - Restraining an individual in a manner that restricts the flow of air or blood by compressing the windpipe or the carotid arteries on each side of the neck, or;
  - Sitting, kneeling, or standing on the chest or back in a manner that compresses the diaphragm, in the course of effecting or attempting to effect an arrest.

#### Requiring Visible Shield Numbers

- Requires MOS's shield number or rank designation to be visible at all times while in uniform or while performing "any activity under the color of law."
- Allows individuals to sue the city (or individual MOS, if city refuses to represent) in the event an MOS refuses to make a shield number or rank designation visible.
- Court may order City/MOS to pay attorney's fees and court costs to individuals who successfully sue under this law.

#### Right to Record Act

- This bill would codify a person's right to record New York City police officers or peace officer acting in their official capacity, with limited exceptions (e.g. when the individual physically interferes with police officers, or when police officers otherwise have probable cause to arrest the individual for an offense other than the act of filming itself).
- The bill also allows any individual whose rights are violated to sue the City in state court, and requires the NYPD to issue reports related to filming police activities.

#### Disciplinary Matrix

- This bill would require the NYPD to develop and post on its website an internal "disciplinary matrix" that sets a schedule of penalties to be imposed for violations of NYPD rules.
- The NYPD would also be required to report the number and percentage of times the commissioner deviates from the matrix.

#### Early Intervention Bill

- Requires the Department to maintain a centralized system used to record, track, review and evaluate MOS based on a variety of factors (e.g. civil suits, CCRB complaints, CDs and IAB investigations, number of arrests and summonses issued for Discon/OGA/Resisting, use of force incidents and other factors) to identify officers who may be in need of enhanced training, monitoring or reassignment.
- Requires Department to issue annual reports on the use of the Early Intervention System.

#### POST Act

- This bill requires the reporting and evaluation of surveillance technologies used by the NYPD. The Department will be required to issue a "surveillance impact and use policy" about these technologies.
- The policy would include information on surveillance technologies such as the description and capabilities, rules, processes and guidelines and any safeguards and security measures designed to protect the information collected.

### SUMMARY OF NEW YORK STATE ANTI-POLICING LAWS

*Albany lawmakers also pushed through a series of misguided laws—without the input of law enforcement. Know these laws, they violate our rights and could get you locked up—even while apprehending a violent offender!*

#### Repeal of Civil Rights Law Section 50-A

- Opens all NY State law enforcement disciplinary records to the public through a Freedom of Information request.
- Allows disclosure of complaints or charges, possibly including those that are frivolous, false, or unfounded.
- Department **MUST** redact personal info such as address, medical history, SSN, contact info, and any use of employment assistance programs (e.g., alcohol counseling, mental health services, etc.).
- Department **MAY** redact technical infractions, meaning rules violations that: (a) do not involve interactions with members of the public, (b) are not of public concern, and (c) are not otherwise connected to PO's investigative, enforcement, training, supervision, or reporting responsibilities.

#### Chokehold Bill (State Version)

- Creates a class C felony for police officer who:
  - "Applies pressure on the throat or neck" or "blocks the nose or mouth" with "intent to impede the normal breathing or circulation." OR
  - "Applies pressure to the throat or windpipe of a person in a manner that may hinder breathing or reduce intake of air."

#### Special Prosecutor Bill

- Currently, NY Attorney General has jurisdiction over any police-involved death of an **unarmed** civilian (by Executive Order).
- Bill gives AG jurisdiction over police-involved death of any civilian.

#### Report Weapon Discharge

- Applies to discharge of firearm, whether on duty or off duty, where a person could be struck by a bullet.
- PO must report discharge to superiors within 6 hours.
- PO shall prepare a written report of discharge within 48-hours.

#### Right to Record Act

- Allows public to sue police officers for interfering with their right to record law enforcement activity and/or confiscating or deleting such recordings.
- Public cannot physically interfere with law enforcement or engage in conduct that otherwise constitutes OGA.
- PO has affirmative defense in cases where he/she had probable cause to arrest person for OGA.
- PO may be subject to monetary damages, including punitive damages.

#### Medical Attention for Persons Under Arrest

- When person is under arrest or in custody, PO has a duty to provide medical attention or mental health needs.
- Allows public to sue a PO who does not give treatment and person suffers serious physical injury or exacerbation.
- Court can award actual monetary damages to the person under arrest.

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College Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please Note: Applicant must be entering 1<sup>st</sup> year of college.  
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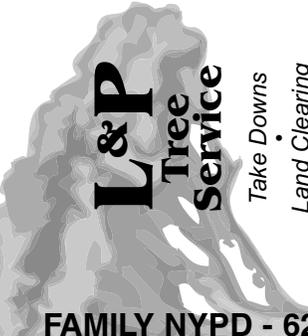
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## Important Message

Dear Detective:

First of all, thank you for the outstanding job you have all been doing these past several weeks in the wake of the protests and civil unrest following the death of George Floyd in Minneapolis, Minnesota. You have exhibited the utmost professionalism and incredible restraint under the most difficult circumstances, contrary to the false narrative put forth by those who wish us harm.

As you know, over our objections, our elected officials both here in the City and in Albany, bowing to political pressure, have recently passed numerous law enforcement-related bills which have now made our job even more dangerous and challenging. These laws include, but are not limited to:

\*the passage of **NYC Administrative Code section 10-181** which criminalizes an officer's restraint of an individual "in a manner that restricts the flow of air or blood by compressing the windpipe or the carotid arteries. or sitting, kneeling or standing on the chest or back in a manner that compresses the diaphragm in the course of effecting or attempting to effect an arrest;"

\* the repeal of **Civil Rights Law 50-a** and amendment of **FOIL** to allow for disclosure of police disciplinary records;

\* adding **Penal Law section 121.13-a – Aggravated Strangulation** (neck restraints);

\* adding **Civil Rights Law section 28** – creating civil liability on an officer for failing to provide medical and mental health treatment to individuals in custody; and

\*adding **Administrative Code section 14-185** creating civil liability on an officer for "refusal to make a shield number or rank designation visible."

Take the time to read these new laws. I am sure you will agree that there are numerous flaws and vague and ambiguous terms throughout the laws which pose significant and unacceptable risks to our members. Perhaps the most dangerous is the City Council's criminalization of certain uses of force, without any explanation as to how in the real world of policing, a police officer lawfully takes an individual who is violent or resisting into custody. We have demanded that the Department immediately provide guidance and training to teach members how to comply with these provisions. We met yesterday with the Department to again ask for this training and hand delivered a written demand for such training. We are awaiting their response. Please find a copy of such demand [HERE](#).

In the interim, consistent with your safety, your fellow officers' safety, and the safety of the law-abiding public, force should only be used in the most dire of circumstances. Otherwise, you expose yourself to criminal, civil and administrative liability. This is the clear message our elected officials have sent: they do not want criminals arrested; they do not want criminals in jail; they do not want the police to use any physical force on even the most dangerous of individuals; they want us to police in a purely reactive manner. We must be guided accordingly.

The DEA will always be here to support and protect our members' rights. We will continue to press the Department to provide the necessary training. Until such guidance and training is received, however, please protect yourselves and stay safe always.

Fraternally,

Paul DiGiacomo, President, and the DEA Board of Officers

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## 2020 MEETINGS

All meetings will be held at the  
Knights of Columbus S.I. Council  
22 Hillside Terrace, Staten Island, NY 10308

Meetings are on the 3rd Wednesday  
of the month at 7:15 PM as follows:

- ~~January 15th~~
- ~~February 19th~~
- ~~March 18th~~
- ~~April 15th~~
- ~~May 20th~~
- ~~June 17th~~
- July NO MEETING
- August NO MEETING
- September 16th
- October 21st
- November 18th

**December 16th Christmas Luncheon**

## *Annual Holiday Luncheon Meeting*

Noon, Wednesday, December 16, 2020  
Nuccis South Italian Restaurant  
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**Application in this newsletter  
Selection at the Holiday Luncheon  
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